



Dear sisters and brothers,

There is an old story told about a man by the name of Ali Facid. He had a small farm and a family. One day, the story goes, a Buddhist priest came by and said to Ali Facid: You know, there are valuable stones called diamonds, and if you get one of these you could be a wealthy man." Ali Facid went to bed that night, but the words of the old priest haunted him. He was so obsessed that he felt that he must find him one of these diamonds so that he could become a rich man. He sold his farm, put his family out to neighbors and went out to find his acres of diamonds. Months passed. He was broken in body and spirit. His funds were gone. And at the Bay of Barcelona, he threw himself into the water, never to walk this earth again.

Meanwhile, the man who bought his farm bent over one day and picked up a little stone. He laid on the mantle that night not knowing what it was. A few days later the old Buddhist priest came by and saw it and exclaimed: Ali Facid must be back from his search. No, came the response. Then where did that diamond come from? The farmer replied: I was out plowing in the garden and found it there. And friends, did you know that from that very garden, for this is not a legend but a true story, came the jewels and diamonds that today adorn the crown heads of Europe and Russia. In Ali Facid's own back yard there were acres of diamonds and he knew it not.

My friends, I know that the Eden Park Community is not like, say St. James in terms of extensive growth. But I also know that there are acres of diamonds right here in our own back yard. There are people right here in our area that do not have church families, who are not committed to Christ, and who are waiting to be asked. We don't have to look to other areas of the city. All we have to do is pick up the diamonds that are right beneath us. All we have to do is find them right where they are and invite them.

What bout you? Are you a laborer willing to do the harvesting work and extend an invitation? Remember that the church and that Jesus are both counting on you to do your part!

In the Divine Word, I am

*Fr. Rick Andrus, SVD*



**Altar Servers**

- 7:30 a.m. Jaiden Parker, DaMarquis London
- 10:30 a.m. Demond Garner, Michael Knox  
Kellen Anthony,

**Eucharistic Ministers**

- 7:30 a.m. Murray Chenevert, Monique Spaulding,  
Alice Zacharie, Audrene LeBlanc,  
Paulette Robertson, Perry Chenevert
- 10:30 a.m. Anna Perry, Darlene Richard,  
Justin Kennedy, Christy Hall,  
Tasha Anthony, Robinette Harleaux,  
Pamela Claiborne, Paul Stewart

**Readers**

- 7:30 a.m. Barbara Cornell, Cindy Chenevert
- 10:30 a.m. Tasha Anthony, Martha Davis

**Mass Intentions**

- 7:30 a.m. Mr. Dwight LeBlanc
- 10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle

**Readings for the Week**

- Monday: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab;  
Mt 9:18-26
- Tuesday: **Memorial of St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions**  
Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15; Mt 9:32-38
- Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a;  
Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7
- Thursday: **Memorial of St. Benedict**  
Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5;  
Ps 105:16-21; Mt 10:7-15
- Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19,  
**27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23**
- Saturday: **Memorial of St. Henry; Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7;  
Mt 10:24-33
- Sunday: **Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28;  
Lk 10:38-42

**A Vocation View:** The harvest is rich but the workers are few; therefore ask the harvest-master to send workers to his harvest." Pray for vocations. Depend on God's providence

**DIVINE WORD MISSIONARIES and SISTER SERVANTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY**

**Drivers for Sunday, July 14, 2019  
10:30 a.m. Shirley Dawson & Augustine Kador**

**Parish Schedule for the Week**

Sunday: **7:30 a.m. Ladies Sodality Turn Out**  
10:30 a.m. Mass-Women's Club Turn Out

Monday: **No Mass**

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. Mass  
**4:30 p.m. Rehearsal for 7:30 Choir**  
6:00 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday: **No Mass**  
**7:00 p.m. Rehearsal for 10:30 Choir**

Friday: **No Mass**  
6:00 p.m. Liturgical Dance Practice

Saturday: **9:00 a.m. Liturgical Dance Practice**  
11:00 a.m. Mime Group Practice  
**12:00 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal**



Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Batiste and Stepter family at the passing of Ms. Andrea Stepter, daughter of Ms. Lena Batiste. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

I will be having the long-awaited surgery to replace my knee this Thursday. If all goes well (and I am claiming it will by God's grace), I should be home on Friday. I will be out of the office for at least 4 weeks - though I will probably be in and out briefly. I welcome visits at my home and calls from those who wish to visit. Please join me in praying that God's spirit ensures that my surgery goes well and that healing is swift! Fr. Tom Clark, SJ from Immaculate Conception will try and cover emergency calls in my absence. - Fr. Rick

**"St. Paul You Did It Again!** Thank you for joining us on the many fun filled, spiritual adventures around the world during The Incredible Race. The Incredible Race taught us no matter where we love, what shade of skin we have, or what language we speak, we are all part of the same race-the human race-and all part of the same family from Adam and Eve! God is calling people from every tribe and nation through his Son, Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world. And he wants us to share this good news in kindness and love with our neighbors nearby and far away. To each and everyone who played a role in VBS 2019, **Thank You** for making Vacation Bible School 2019 such an amazing week and a huge success! You Rock!

**Attention Youth - VBS Invitation:** Deacon Thomas Hunter faithfully attends St. Paul's Adult Vacation Bible School every year. He has invited our children to his church for Vacation Bible School at Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church located at 736 N. 35th Street in Baton Rouge from Monday July 8th through Friday July 12th starting at 6:00 p.m.

**Meal Chain:** Several parishioners expressed an interest in preparing meals for Fr. Rick while he is recuperating from surgery. If you would like to prepare lunch or dinner and deliver to Father Rick at his house, please contact Ms. Myrtis Rogers at 933-5790 for preparation details and delivery times. Please sign up in the foyer.



The Media Ministry is on the move! Visit our website [www.stpaulbr.org](http://www.stpaulbr.org) to view pictures and watch videos on our Youtube channel! Are you on Facebook? Follow our page (@ St. Paul The Apostle Catholic Church) by July 31, 2019 to be entered into a drawing for a **FREE 30 minute Photo Session!**



Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Robert and Mary Martin on the celebration of their 45th wedding anniversary July 6, 2019. May God continue to shine his blessings upon this union.

***Happy Birthday***

John Broussard 7/08	Brent Hayward, Jr. 7/10
Dickerson-Hillery 7/08	Melba Kennedy 7/10
Leonard Rucker, Jr 7/08	Anthony Skinner 7/10
Chai Thomas 7/08	Terrell Carter 7/11
Audrey Davis 7/09	Ariel Skinner 7/13
Paula Jackson 7/09	Liorah Twase 7/13
Geraldine St. Amant 7/09	

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

*Audrey Christopher, Edna Davis James, Mary Smart, Carolyn Christophe, Dorothy Bazile, Myrtis Coleman, Robert Seals, Mona Seals, Sylvia Collier, Lena Batiste, Marie Myles, George Bell, Mary Lena Price, Willis Reed, Jr., Joseph Broussard, Annie Joseph, Rosa Johnson, Harry Sills, Denovas Crockett, Jasman Benjamin, James Hayward, Gusie Trahan, Cheryl Crockett, Brenda D. Hickman, Quincy Hamilton, Charles Davis, Jr., Jessie Joseph, Rose Crockett Carter, Dianna Franklin, John Christophe, Geraldine Jones, Ruby Major, Meredith Jones, Patrick Simms, Eddie Dunn, and Mae Ruby Johnson.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK FAMILY MEMBERS & FRIENDS**

*Ronnie Gauthier, Helen Celestine, Florence Jackson, Geraldine Floyd, Betty Hammond, Frank Ross, Mona Bossier Bailey, Walker Williams, Barbara Brennan, Richard Dillon, Calvin Thomas, III, Joel Rivera, Dorie Martin, Alberta Conner, Martha Reinhart, Dana Simoneaux, Nichelle Hollins, Jessica Hughes, Rev. Frank H. Young, Ernie Butitta, Edna Dixon, and Gene Decuir.*

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June 30, 2019

Offertory Collection	\$ 4,860.61
Children's Offering	\$ 16.14
Online Giving	\$ 545.00
Building Fund	\$ 60.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 45.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 285.00
Catholic Communication Campaign	<u>\$ 15.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,826.75</b>

*Remember this: whoever sows sparingly, reap sparingly; and whoever sows generously, reap generously.*

2 Corinthians 9:6

<p><b>In Loving Memory of:</b></p> <p>Opston, Dorcenia, Wilbert, Philip, Opston, Jr., Albert &amp; Jerome Guillory, CB, Ruth &amp; Tia Davis, Catherine Williams, Yvonne Warren and Marcus Montigue</p> 	<p><b>In Loving Memory of:</b></p> <p>George Coleman, Jr Geneva Coleman George Coleman, Sr. Carrie Coleman M.H. Weathersby Odelia Weathersby Donald Coleman</p> 	<p><b>JANI-KING</b></p> <p>Commercial Cleaning Service</p> <p><b>Monique Scott</b> 225 273-5464</p>	<p><b>Space Available</b></p>	<p><b>State Farm Insurance</b></p> <p><b>Leonard Benjamin</b> 775-2494</p>
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**In Loving Memory of:**

Geneva Battley Spooner  
Della Battley Rodney




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**St. Paul the Apostle Quick Reference**

Altar Servers - 7:30 - Shirley Dawson.....	802-6128
Altar Servers - 10:30 - Christy Hall.....	223-7851
Infant Baptism - Deacon Benjamin Dunbar, Jr.....	324-5808
Bible Study - Barbara Haynes.....	665-2630
Bookkeeper - Debra Dudley.....	383-2537
Center (Use of Center) - Mary Martin.....	383-2537
Center Rental & Repast - Velita Benjamin.....	654-6705
Child Protection Coordinator - Vera Dunbar.....	324-2939
Eucharistic Ministers - Nancy Ball.....	397-4309
Liturgy Committee - Martha Davis.....	357-4108
Nurse - Maxine Watts.....	278-6732
Parish Office - Secretary - Mary Martin.....	383-2537
Pastor - Fr. Richard Andrus.....	383-2537
Readers - Theresa Grevious.....	773-8023
Religious Education Director - Martha Davis.....	357-4108
RCIA Coordinator - Fr. Richard Andrus.....	383-2537
Ushers - Edmonia Joseph.....	772-2090
Youth Ministry - Justin Kennedy.....	754-2609

**In Loving Memory of Our Loved Ones:**




Roosevelt Bowers  
Joseph "Buddy" Walker  
Oscar LeDuff, Jr.  
Elizabeth & Frank P. Bowers  
Carrie & Douglas Rodney, Sr.  
Clara & Willis Walker  
Sarah Rodney Domino & Wilbert Domino, Sr.  
Freddie Bowers  
Ora Bowers Ward  
Sybil Thomas Johnson  
Maureen Bowers Johnson



**In Loving Memory of:**

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and the  
Reed, Stewart, Davis, and  
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**In Loving Memory of:**

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Lillian, Kirby, James  
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Ellis Myles, Sr., Rose &  
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